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He was a member of the American delegation to the Austrian Treaty Talks, and was present when the treaty was signed in Vienna in 1955.

Walter Roberts attended Cambridge University in England, where he earned a Ph.D. He served as Diplomat-in-Residence at Brown University in 1966-1967.

In addition to publishing numerous articles, Roberts has written two books: Tito, Mihailovic, and the Allies, 1941-1945 (1973); and Culture and Information, Two Foreign Policy Functions (1976), with Terry Deibel.

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